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An ORDINANCE OF THE LORDS and COMMONS Assembled in Parliament.

SHWING,

That all His Majesties, the Queens, and Princes Honours, Mannours, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Revenue, and profits whatsoever, within the said Realm of *England* and Dominion of *Wales*, Port and Town of *Berwicke*, shall be seized upon, and received by such persons hereafter nominated and appointed, to be imployed for the good of His Majesty and the Common-wealth.

And likewise, that all such Officers which shall not yeeld obedience to this Ordinance of Parliament, shall stand sequestred from their severall Offices respectively, and from receiving and enjoying any profits or benefit of or by the same.

Die Iovis 21. *Septemb.* 1643.

ORdered by the Lords and Commons Assembled in Parliament, That this Ordinance shall be forthwith printed and published. *Joh. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.*

LONDON,
Printed for *Iohn Wright* at the Kings Head in the old Bayley. 1643.

An Ordinance for the due and orderly receiving and collecting of the Kings, Queenes, and Princes Revenue; and the arreares thereof.

21. Septemb. 1643.

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THe Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, taking into their serious considerations the many heavy pressures and most grievous calamities which now lie upon this Kingdome, by this bloody and unnaturall warre raised against the Parliament, and that notwithstanding all their faithfull and constant endeavours for the preserving of his Majesty and the whole Kingdome, from the most cruell and endlesse designes of Papists, Delinquents, and ill-affected persons; yet their counsels and practises are still so prevalent with his Majesty and the hearts of many people so misled and beguiled by their false pretences and specious insinuations, that nothing can be expected but the extirpation and finall subversion of our Religion, Lawes & Liberties, unlesse God of his infinit mercy prevent it, and incline His Majesties heart to the faithfull advice of his great Councell of Parliament, which hath ever bin and is under God the chiefe support of his Royall Crown and dignity, and the security of all that we or have can enjoy, and for that it is found by woful experience, that divers ill-affected persons by pretence of His Majesties authority, have and doe still daily seize upon divers and sundry great sums of money, raised and

and collected in divers parts of this Kingdom by Acts and Ordinances of Parliament, for the relefe of the poore distressed Protestants in Ireland, the suppressing and subduing of those most barbarous and bloody Rebells, and for the defence of this Kingdom and Parliament, and do divert and employ the same, & likewise His Maiesties Revenue, and all other monies of the well affected persons whatsoever, by rapine or violence, they can lay hands on; to the fomenting, nourishing, & maintaining of these miserable distractions and unnaturall Warre: and the Lords and Commons omitting no opportunity, nor neglecting any fitting meanes which they conceived, might divert the said Warre here, so violently pressed forwards by Papists, delinquents, ill affected persons, and the rebels in Ireland, did formerly ordaine, that the officers of the Receipt, Court of Wards, and Liveries, Receivers, and others, should not repaire unto Oxford, but attend their service here in the usuall places: yet in contempt of the same and other Ordinances, some Officers are gone to Oxford, divers convey sundry sums of money thither, and others neglect their service, to the great prejudice and disservice of the Common-wealth: & to the intent that his Maiesties Revenue might no more be mis-applied, and that the same may be imployed for the good of His Maiesty and the Common-wealth, The Lords and Commons therefore doe ordain, & be it ordained by the said Lords & Commons, that all His Maiesties, the Queens, and Princes Revenue of what nature or kind soever, certain or casual within the view or survey of the Court of Exchequer, Court of wards and Liveries, Dutchy of Lancaster, Dutchy of Cornwal, or in any other Court or iurisdiction whatsoever, within this Realm of England, and Dominion of Wales, & Port & Town of Barwick, together with all the arrears thereof, and all other debts & sums of money whatsoever, any way due to His Maiesty, the Queene, or Prince, shall be seized upon and received by the persons hereafter named, or such other as at any time hereafter shall be appointed, and nominated by the

Committee for the Revenue, which said persons or receivers in each severall Countie or Counties, Cities or places for which they are or shall be appointed respectively are hereby authorized and required by themselves, their Agents and deputies, to take and seize into their hands and custodies all and every His Majesties, the Queenes and Princes Honours, Mannors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, Rents, arrerages of Rents, Revenues, and profits whatsoever, within the said Realme of England, Dominion of Wales, and Port and Towne of Berwicke, and to let, set, and demise the same, or any part thereof, from yeere to yeere; And shall have power to call before them all Stewards, Auditors, Receivers, Bailiffs or Collectors or any other Officer, or Officers whatsoever, and to send for or take any bookes of accounts, rentals, copies of Court roll, or any other writings touching the premisses, and thereby & by all other waies and meanes which to them shall seeme meet and necessary, to inform themselves of the said revenues, debts, and arreares thereof, and of all things concerning the same, and to appoint any subordinate Officer or Officers, and Ministers under them for the better expediting of this service, which said subordinate Officers and Ministers are hereby authorized, and enioyned to performe and execute all and every their commands respectively in and concerning the premisses; and shall have such allowances for their pains and charges in that behalfe, as the respective persons or receivers appointed for the severall Counties, Cities or places, shall thinke fit, the same being approved of by the Committee for the revenue: And that all such Stewards, Auditors, Receivers, Bailiffs, Collectors, or any other Officer or Officers whatsoever, which have not submitted themselves to the Commands & directions of any former Ordinance of Parliament, or to the Committee for the revenue, and likewise all other such Officers, which shall not yeeld obedience to this Ordinance of Parliament, or to the Committee for the revenue, shall

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ſtand ſequeſtred from their ſeverall Offices reſpectively, and from the receiving and enioying any profit or benefit of or for the ſame: And the Committee for the Revenue or any five ſhall have power and are hereby authorized to nominate and appoint other meet, fit, and truſty perſons to ſupply and execute thoſe Offices and places which are or ſhall be ſequeſtred as aforeſaid. And the ſaid perſons or Receivers nominated or to be nominated, as aforeſaid, their Agents and Deputies within their ſeverall limits reſpectively ſhall have power, and are hereby authorized and required to enter into all & every His Majeſties, the Queens and Princes Honours, Mannours, Lands, Tenements, and Heriditaments, Courts and Offices, and to receive ſuch Rents, arrerages of Rents, Herriots, Iſſues, Profits, ſummes of Money, Debts, and other duties, as are or ſhall be due and payable for or out of the ſame: And the Fee-farmers, Farmers, and the Tenants thereof, Officers and all others are required to pay the ſame accordingly, to the ſaid Perſons or Receivers, or to ſuch other Officers or Receivers as ſhall be thereunto appointed by vertue & according to the direction of this Ordinance, and to no other perſon whatſoever. And the ſaid Fee-farmers, Farmers, Tenants, and all others which ſhall pay any Rent, ſumme of Money or other thing according to this Ordinance, ſhall be protected and ſaved harmleſſe from any forfeiture, penalty, or damage which he or they may incurre by not payment of his or their ſaid Rent, ſumme of money or other thing, according to his or their Grant, Leaſe, Copy or other agreement by the power & authority of both Houſes of Parliament. And if any Sheriffe, Receiver, Collector, or any other officer or any court whatſoever ſhall refuſe to pay the monies from time to time remaining in their hands, any Free-farmer, Farmer, or Tenant, ſhall refuſe to pay his or their rents, or any others ſhall refuſe to pay their particular Debts to the hands of the ſaid Perſons or Receivers in the ſeverall and reſpective Counties, Citys, and

Places, at such times as the same shall become due & payable, or to the Receiver-Generall hereby appointed, then the said Persons or Receivers for the severall Counties, Cities, and places shall have power to distraine for the same, and to take all other advantages for non payment thereof, as His Majesty the Queene and Prince, their Officers or Ministers might have done, and they shall have power to sue for and recover any debt, summe of money, or other duty owing to His Majestie, the Queene or Prince by any person whatsoever, and also to give discharges and acquittances for any Rent, summe of money, debts, duty, or other thing, which they shall receive by vertue of this Ordinance, and shall be accomptable from time to time for the same, and for all such other things as shall be had, received, or taken by them, their Agents or Deputies, and for all their receipts and payments, and other Acts for or in respect of the premisses to the Committee for the Revenue, or to such as they shall appoint; and shall pay in from time to time all such summes of Money as they or any of them shall receive by vertue of this Ordinance, unto Thomas Faulconbridge Esquire, at Westminster (who is hereby constituted and appointed Receiver-Generall of all such summes of money as shall be received or raised by vertue of this Ordinance) and shall be from time to time subject to the further orders and directions of the Committee for the Revenue, And the Acquittances of the said Receiver-Generall and of the said Persons or Receivers in the severall Counties, Cities, and Places, Courts and Offices respectively, shall be as good and sufficient discharge for the summes of Money therein contained, as if the same were paid in the receipt of the Exchequer, or into any other usuall Court or Place. And the Barons of the Exchequer, and all other Officers and Ministers of the same, and other Courts and places respectively, are hereby required and authorized to give full allowances thereof, and thereupon to make forth quietus ests and other discharges according to the course and

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custome of the severall Courts and places. And the said Persons or receivers, their Agents and Deputies, shall have power to call to their aid and assistance the Trained Bands, Voluntiers, or other Forces, and any other officer or minister of Justice, of or within their severall Counties, Cities or places respectively, or any other person or persons dwelling in, or neere the place, to compell obedience to this Ordinance, where any resistance shall be made, or as oft as need shall require, and shall have power to punish such person or persons as they shall finde refractory, negligent, or faulty in the said service by fine and imprisonment, such fine not exceeding the summe of twenty pounds, or to certifie their names to the Committee for the Revenue, who shall have power to send for them or any of them, and commit them to such prisons and places, as they shall think fit, untill they shall conforme themselves to this present Ordinance of Parliament. And the said Trained Bands, Voluntiers and other Forces, their Commanders and Officers, and also the severall Constables, Headboroughs, and other officers and persons within their severall and respective limits, are hereby required and enjoyned to be aiding and assisting to the said Persons or Receivers, their Agents and Deputies, as oft as they shall be hereunto required.

And it is further Ordained and declared by the said Lords and Commons, That all and every the said Revenues, Rents, Profits, Debts, and summes of money whatsoever shall be imployed to and for such uses and services, as are or shall be directed by the Committee for the Revenue.

And it is likewise further ordained, That all and every the said persons or Receivers, Receiver-Generall, Auditors, and other Officers and ministers imployed in this service by the Committee for the Revenue, or any five of them, shall have such allowances for their necessary charges and paines in and about the premises as the said Committee shall thinke fit, and that as well they as all others who shall be imployed in that said ser

ſervice, or ſhall do any thing in execution or performance of this Ordinance, ſhall be therein protected and ſaved harmleſſe, by the power and authority of both the ſaid Houſes.

And laſtly it is Ordained, That the ſaid Committee for the Revenue, or any five of them, ſhall have power, and be hereby enabled to doe and execute any other act or acts, thing or things, they ſhall thinke fit for the better and more ſpeedy collecting, leavying, advancing, and receiving of all and every the ſaid revenues, debts, and ſummes of money before mentioned.

Provided and be it further Ordained, That all and ſingular ſuch revenues, rents, iſſues, fees, profits, and ſummes of money, and allowances whatſoever, as have heretofore beene and now ought to be paid & diſpoſed unto, or for the maintenance of any Colledge or Hoſpitall (whoſe revenues, or any part thereof, have not been imployed for maintenance of the Warre againſt the Parliament) Grammar Schoole, or Schollars, or for or towards the reparation of any Church, Chappell, Highway, Cawſey, Bridge, Schoole-houſe, or other charitable uſe, which are chargeable upon, or ought to iſſue out of, or be paid, for or in reſpect of any the Honours, Mannors, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, revenues, or profits aforeſaid, ſhall be and continue to be paid, diſpoſed, and allowed of, as they were and have beene heretofore.

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